Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council Smart Investment #2: Double the Number of Families with Young Children Served in Family Foundations Home Visiting Programs

Implementation and Financial Commitment

Implementation

Doubling the number of families with young children served by Family Foundations home visiting programs requires additional funding to expand existing programs, increase quality and the addition of new programs. The evidence-based home visiting programs will continue to target local communities and tribes with large percentages of high-risk pregnant women and vulnerable parents with children under age five.

The proposed funding supports an incremental approach to double the number of families with children served by evidence-based home visiting programs over a four-year period.

- Initial focus will provide increased funding to existing Family Foundations home visiting programs, allowing established programs to serve additional families.
- The next focus will assist non-state supported programs in meeting credentialing criteria
 of evidence-based models, thereby increasing quality and expanding the number of
 families served.
- The final phase establishes new evidence-based home visiting programs in underserved, high-need communities.

Financial Commitment

Achieving this Smart Investment requires gradually increasing base funding for home visiting by \$2.5 million annually over four years. By the fourth year, the current allocation is doubled to allow twice as many families with young children to be served.

Year	Starting Budget	Additional Funding
1	Current allocation (Year 0)	\$2,500,000
2	Year 1 allocation	\$2,500,000
3	Year 2 allocation	\$2,500,000
4	Year 3 allocation	\$2,500,000